

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a further supplement to the act respecting the settlers on the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland. ORDERED, That Mr. Perry, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Beall, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from John R. Downes, of Queen-Anne's county, praying he may be authorized to remove a negro boy from Kentucky to this state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Wright, Mr. Franklin and Mr. Thompson, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Brown, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Owings, of Baltimore county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that commissioners should be appointed to examine and survey the private road, as laid down for the use of Thomas Owings by Thomas Gift, Esquire, surveyor, as also to take into their consideration whether the same hath been, under all circumstances, carried in the most suitable and proper direction, and if it should be the opinion of the said commissioners that the said private road has not been carried in the most suitable and proper direction, under all circumstances, that they should have an authority to lay off the same anew, agreeably to the spirit and intention of the act of assembly passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, chapter 49, entitled, An act to declare and ascertain the right of citizens of this state to private roads or ways.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 13, 1799.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate have agreed to proceed to the election of a register of wills for Kent county to-morrow as proposed by your message, and have appointed the hour of twelve o'clock. We have named David McMechen and William Hindman, Esquires, to join the gentlemen named by you for the examination of the ballots. No person is put in nomination by the senate in addition to the gentlemen named by you.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Key, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Gilbert Murdock, of the city of Annapolis; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the laying off a private road for Thomas Owings, in Baltimore county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the said bill have a second reading on Wednesday next, and that summonses issue for witnesses, if required.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, December 14, 1799.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Harford county was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

The bill to authorize Charles Gassaway, of Montgomery county, to alter part of a road therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill for the relief of Gilbert Murdock, of the city of Annapolis, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act authorizing the justices of the levy court of Queen-Anne's county to levy a sum of money for the building of a prison in the said county, and to regulate the same; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The report on the petition of John Adams was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of Dennis Griffith was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

Petitions from David Lund and William Smith, of the city of Baltimore, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from William Ogle, of Frederick county, praying he may be authorized by lottery to dispose of sundry goods, wares and merchandise, was preferred, read, and referred to the consideration of the next session of assembly.

A petition